


LEONARDO ARREOLA,  
  
Petitioner,  
  
vs.  
  
FNU SUMMERS,  
  
Respondent.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2), a prisoner seeking to proceed in a Section 2254 action without prepayment of fees, in addition to submitting the required affidavit, “shall submit a certified copy of the trust fund account statement (or the institutional equivalent) for the prisoner for the 6-month period immediately preceding the filing of the complaint.” The provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) are mandatory. Before the Court can address Petitioner’s in forma pauperis motion, Petitioner must obtain from the prison his trust fund account statement showing his account information for the 6-month period immediately preceding the filing of the petition. When Petitioner submits the statement to this Court, the Court will conduct an initial review of the petition.

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period immediately preceding the filing of the petition. If Petitioner does not produce a certified copy of his trust fund account statement within such time, this action may be subject to dismissal. Petitioner shall inform the Court if the prison is not responding to his requests for a copy of the trust fund account statement and if he cannot submit the statement to this Court within thirty days. As an alternative to submitting his trust fund account statement with this Court, Petitioner may instead choose not to seek to proceed in forma pauperis and pay the \$5.00 filing fee.

Signed: November 21, 2014

  
Frank D. Whitney  
Chief United States District Judge

